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Serial No.:	10/689,579)	Group Art Unit: 3738
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Filed:	October 20, 2003)	
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For:	Expandable Intraluminal Graft, and Method)	
	and Apparatus for Implanting and)	
	an Expandable Intraluminal Graft)	
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Examiner:	Paul B. Prebilic)	

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

As indicated in previously submitted Information Disclosure Statements, U.S. Patent Nos. 4,739,762, 5,195,984, 5,902,332 and 5,102,417 were the subject of litigation in Civil Action Nos. 97-550-SLR, 97-700-SLR, 98-19-SLR and 98-197-SLR. The jury verdicts rendered in these cases were appealed and the Federal Circuit remanded them for further trial with respect to certain issues.

The remand trials were held on March 4, 2005, March 7, 2005 - March 11, 2005, March 14, 2005, March 17, 2005 - March 18, 2005, March 21, 2005 and March 24, 2005. Appended hereto are the trial transcripts from the trials without the exhibits. If the Examiner requires any, or all, of the exhibits they will be immediately provided upon request.

The Examiner is requested to consider the trial transcripts in the their entirety and indicate the consideration thereof with an initial in the left-hand column next to each document on the Form

PTO/SB/08A . In order to facilitate the Examiner's consideration of these materials, the Examiner's particular attention is invited to certain portions thereof as follows:

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The jury found that Claims 1 and 3 of U.S. Patent No. 5,195,984 were valid and infringed by Medtronic AVE's GFX II Stent.

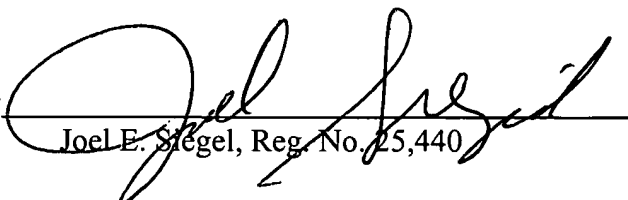
Also enclosed is a copy of a publication entitled "Self-expanding Endovascular Prosthesis: An Experimental Study¹".

Applicants' attorney is available to immediately provide additional information upon request by the Examiner.

Attached Form PTO/SB/08A lists materials which may be considered to be material to the above-identified application by the Patent Examiner. Copies of the materials are enclosed. Entry into the record is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted

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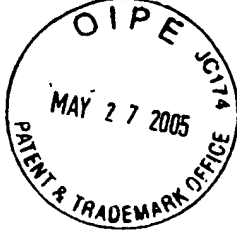
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		Trial testimony transcripts from Cordis Corporation v. Medtronic AVE dated March 4, 7-11 and 14, 2005.	
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		Hervé Rousseau, M.D. et al., Radiology - Self-expanding Endovascular Prosthesis: An Experimental Study ¹ , 73 rd Scientific Assembly and Annual Meeting, Chicago, November 29 - December 4, 1987, pp. 709 -714.	
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